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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held at the COM-
PANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road
Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 6th
March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving a Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the Directors for the year ending
31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1903. 259

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Hongkong
Hotel on MONDAY, the 9th March, at
Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, declaring a
Dividend, and electing Director and
Auditor.

By order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1903. 431

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF AND GODOWN COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2,
Connaught Road, at Noon, on THURSDAY,
the 12th MARCH, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors,
with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st
December, 1902.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 24, 1903. 385

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING Shareholders are re-
quested to send in a STATEMENT OF
Business contributed during the year end-
ing 31st December, 1902, on or before the
15th inst., on which date the Account will
be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, March 3, 1903. 456

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the
Offices of the General Agents, Paddocks
Street, on TUESDAY, the 17th March,
1903, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report and Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1903. 405

CHINA SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at the
Offices of the General Agents, Paddocks
Street, on TUESDAY, the 17th March,
1903, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving
the Report and Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1903. 387

司公紀源
YUEN KEE CO.
COAL MERCHANTS,
No. 17, CHIU LOONG STREET,
(NEAR MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
HONGKONG,
CHINA.

Hongkong, June 13, 1902. 1254

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sent by instructing the Manager, Mr. A. B.
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CIGARS FOR SALE AT
CURRENT PRICES.
Hongkong, January 31, 1903. 210

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Rooms Specially reserved for Cap. ains of the
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Hot and Cold Water throughout.
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Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.
Table d'Hôte at Separate Tables.
For terms, &c., apply to the
MANAGER.

Hongkong, October 23, 1902. 2172

Intimations.

THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER
will be held at the Hongkong Club
on SATURDAY, 14th March, at 8 o'clock
p.m.

Any Devonians wishing to attend are
requested to Communicate with the Under-
signed.

MOUBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 20, 1903. 360

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL
on FRIDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1903, at
Noon, for the purpose of Receiving a
Statement of Accounts of the Company
to the 31st December, 1902, with the Re-
port of the Directors, and to discuss any
matter that may be competently brought
before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 7th to the
13th MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 2, 1903. 446

NOTICE TO MARINERS,
No. 108 (SPECIAL).
CHINA SEA.

Alterations to Aids to Navigation at
the Woosung Outer Bar.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners
No. 107 (Special),—Notice is hereby
given that the WOOSUNG OUTER BAR
LIGHTBOAT has been shifted 1.6 cables
S. 23° 15' W. from its former position and
now marks the Southern side of the Outer
entrance to the new channel over the Outer
Bar. From it, Woosung Lightship bears
S. 79° 36' W., distant 11.6 cables.

The WOOSUNG LIGHT has been altered
and now shows a fixed WHITE light
over the entire arc of its illumination, and
should be visible in clear weather at a dis-
tance of 12 nautical miles.

The WOOSUNG SPIT BUOY has been
removed.

THE OUTER BAR SIGNALS now in-
dicate the depth of water in the new
channel, which, at Low Water of Spring
Tides, has a depth of 12 feet 4 inches.

DIRECTIONS.—To obtain the best
water, vessels, entering Woosung from sea-
ward, should pass the Outer Bar Light-boat
on the port hand at a distance of 0.6 cables
and steer the Fort Buoy on a S. 81° 30' W.
course.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that on or
about the 14th March, the PORT BUOY
will be shifted S. 73° 36' E., distant 2.6
cables, and be moored in 16 feet at LOW
WATER of Spring Tides; from it, Woo-
sung Lightship will bear S. 80° W., dis-
tant 5.6 cables. The buoy will then mark
the Southern side of the Inner Entrance to
the new channel over the Outer Bar.

N.B. All bearings given are magnetic.
Wm. CARLSON,
For Coast Inspector.

Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 3rd March, 1903. 454

WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
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THE Steamship
"CHU KONG"
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Departures from HONGKONG to MACAO
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FARES:
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3rd " 50

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the Office of the

WING ON STEAMSHIP CO.,
No. 42, Bonham Strand West.
Hongkong, March 2, 1903. 279

STEAM TO CANTON.

FRENCH MAIL.

Twin Screw S.S. "SAN CHEUNG"
551 Tons, Captain Murphy, leaves HONG-
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DAYS, returning to Hongkong the
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throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare \$3.00 Single Journey.
Meals \$1.00 each.

The Company's Wharf is East of the
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West of Canton Boat Co.'s Wharf.

CHEUNG ON S.S. CO., LTD.
Hongkong, February 2, 1903. 222

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Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

DAILY Departure from Hongkong to
MACAO 8 a.m.; from MACAO to
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Steerage \$0.50.

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The Steamer stops running for one day
on Friday, 20th inst.

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Hongkong, March 2, 1903. 438

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From 1st April next.

Apply to
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2 Connaught Buildings.
Hongkong, March 3, 1903. 450

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HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.
THE RETREAT, MOUNT KELLET.
FLATS in MORTON TERRACE, CAUSEWAY
DAY, FACING THE POLO GROUND.

GODOWNS at BOWRINGTON (Praya
East).
No. 1 RIFON TERRACE.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
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Hongkong, January 27, 1903. 194

TO LET.

NOS. 10, 12 and 14, LEIGHTON HILL
ROAD.

For Particulars, please apply to
MR. LI PAK,
Care of Comptroller,
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
1st Floor No. 1, Prince's Buildings,
Chater Road.

Hongkong, December 5, 1902. 2512

TO LET.

KOWLOON, near the Ferry, UN-
FURNISHED ROOM; Imme-
diate Possession.

Apply "R. P."
"CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, February 17, 1903. 332

TO LET.

NEW THREE STOREY HOUSES,
Caine Road, (Opposite Sir Paul
Chater's Residence).

Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LTD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, February 26, 1903. 410

TO LET.

TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS—Nos. 93
and 95, PRAYA EAST.

TWO ROOMS above New VICTORIA
HOTEL.

Apply to
H. N. MODY,
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, December 2, 1902. 2483

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, THE
PEAK.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, February 3, 1903. 235

TO LET.

FURNISHED, for nine Months from
13th MAY next. "Tarawera," Upper
Richmond Road, SIX LARGE ROOMED
BUNGALOW, with Tennis Court.

Apply to
A. H. S. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
Hongkong, February 9, 1903. 274

TO LET—ROOMS.

TWO LARGE AIRY ROOMS,
UNFURNISHED, with Cook House,
in Kowloon, 78 Leighton Hill Road,
opposite Race Course. For terms etc.

Apply AT HOUSE.
Hongkong, February 27, 1903. 422

TO LET.

ONE ROOM as OFFICE.

Apply to
GROSSMANN & CO.
Hongkong, February 28, 1902. 429

TO LET.

GODOWNS paved with granite at
WATERLOO, with FIRE, suitable for
Storage of Coal or any other mer-
chandise.

Apply to
255 QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, December 8, 1902. 2523

TO LET.

FURNISHED HOUSE in KNOTSFORD
TERRACE, KOWLOON, from latter end
of April.

Apply "V."
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, March 2, 1903. 467

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION
IN TIEN-TSIN.

The Tientsin correspondent of the N. O.
Daily News wrote on the 19th ult.:

The fact that we are financially in a
rather tight place in Tientsin is, I believe,
fairly well comprehended in Shanghai, and
as many theories to explain the situation
are probably ventilated in club and street
as are daily rattled locally. There is one
aspect of affairs which has not, I believe,
been ventilated, and as a Chinese gentle-
man of education has drawn my attention
to it, and you are wisely refraining from
the too prevalent pillory of "forgive and
forget," I place it before your readers.

Business at the present moment in Tien-
tsin City is absolutely, not figuratively, at
a standstill. The collapse of the trade is
in a great measure, if not wholly, due to
irregularities in the new official bank.
Native merchants are dependent upon the
assistance of native banks in the conduct
of their business, and the severe strictures
upon these banks, extending to the prohi-
bition of legitimate commission on
transactions between Peking and Tientsin,
has brought banking business to a stand-
still. Looking closely into the matter, it
will be found that the official bank is the
originating cause of the trouble. Tsai Tai
Loh, the Manager, whose commercial
knowledge is confined to the gentle art of
personal profit, has fixed the purchasing
price of copper cash from native bankers
as low as possible, and the selling price
very high, and in addition, when passing
cash out of the bank again, he mixes small
worthless cash with the good, and the re-
cipients dare not refuse to take them.

This has led to a steadily accumulating loss
on their part in all transactions with the
official bank, the same principle applying to
dealings in silver.

With regard to the premiums on drafts,
it is well known that Tientsin is short of
dollars, and at the end of the Chinese year,
when merchants were compelled to square
up their debts with foreigners, they were
obliged to buy foreign bank cheques in
lieu of dollars, and the bankers in order
to facilitate their business paid high pre-
miums to obtain these cheques and meet
the demand. The native brokers, who
traded on this state of affairs and made
money at the expense of both merchants
and bankers, have so far been the only ones
to get off free. If nothing is done to
check the irregularities of the official bank,
further trouble will ensue. The idea
underlying the Viceroy's policy is to freeze
out the foreign banks; to kill trade if pos-
sible, and deal a blow to foreigners in that
way. The Viceroy has made several
nominal attempts to relieve the situation
by arbitrary orders, but at commercial
men well know, trade is a thing which must
adjust itself and will not improve to order.

WHAT IS A COUGH?

A spasmodic effort to expel the mucus
from the bronchial tubes. A cold
causes a more abundant secretion of mucus,
and when the lungs and bronchial tubes
are inflamed, they are extremely sensitive
to the irritation. Unless care is taken, the
cold may result in pneumonia, which is
swift and deadly. If the cold is a lingering
one, the more leisurely but equally fatal
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Hongkong, December 15, 1902. 2576

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FOR DISEASES OF THE CHEST

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Tubes, should take

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sweats, and the Appetite improves rap-
idly—a fact soon demonstrated by an in-
crease of weight and healthy appearance.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported
Kaiser Karl VI	Austrian cruiser	6250	20	12,800	Captain Dredger	Nanking
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Belloy	Shanghai
Argus	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Grépin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journet	Saigon
Avachue	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Fido	Canton River
Bengali	French cruiser	580	—	—	Capt. Lefèvre	Hai Phong
Bugeaud	French gunboat	4009	19	9000	Capt. de Pampolone	Nanking
Chateaufort	French cruiser	800	—	—	Commander Louri	Hai Phong
Comete	French gunboat	555	—	—	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
Decidée	French gunboat	590	—	—	Captain Fournet	Tonkin
De la Croix	French flag ship	8114	14	13,500	Captain Serris	Woo-sung
Triant	French cruiser	3739	10	9000	Capt. Le Galleur	Woo-sung
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Edou	Saigon
Lion	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Hurst	Yangtze
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Souès	Shanghai
Pascal	French cruiser	3983	14	8500	Captain Bonifay	Shanghai
Redoutable	French cruiser	9437	8	8071	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Styx	French cruiser	1800	—	—	Captain Mornet	Kwongchow
Surprise	French gunboat	829	2	900	Captain Biondel	Yangtze
Taliskin	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Along Bay
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	—	Canton
Vigilant	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Saigon
Viper	French gunboat	400	4	441	Co. nrd. Villeneuve	—
Bussard	German cruiser	1800	8	2900	Comdr. Huse	Hiantschou
Fürst Bismarck	German flag ship	11,000	30	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Amoy
Geier	German cruiser	1600	8	—	Comdr. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	20	10,000	Capt. van Semmern	Foochow
Hertin	German cruiser	6000	20	10,000	Capt. Ingenohl	Amoy
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Commandant Platen	Kiautschou
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Willbrandt	Hongkong
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Kroncke	Yangtze
Seeadler	German cruiser	1600	8	2800	Comdr. Hofmann	Nanking
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Schradr	Kiautschou
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. von Weise	Shanghai
Thor	German cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Lombardia	Italian cruiser	2900	10	6343	Captain John Boet	Shanghai
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	4583	16	10,543	Captain Botti	Amoy
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2500	32	12,000	Captain Armona	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4600	14	6820	Captain Nezi	Shanghai
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	790	—	—	Captain d'Azevedo	Macao
Zairo	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barboza Leal	Macao
Albat	Russian gunboat	510	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Amur	Russian gunboat	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Granzatoff	Port Arthur
Asfold	Russian cruiser	8500	—	—	Capt. Helmschtein	Nagasaki
Bobre	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Ziatovskiy	Newchwang
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yuricoff	Port Arthur
Grenatichy	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Shanghai
Gromolch	Russian battleship	12,384	44	14,500	Captain Jessen	Nagasaki
Gullik	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shonoff	Shanghai
Koreetz	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Novakowsky	Nanking
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Comdr. Muraviev	Shanghai
Ovejny	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiliev	Port Arthur
Pereval	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroleff	Nagasaki
Petrovsk	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Jakovlev	Port Arthur
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,360	16	10,600	Captain Veroff	Port Arthur
Ragayevsk	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1786	Comdr. Liven	Kwongchow
Rosia	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	32	17,000	Captain Seppelrennoff	Vladivostok
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,823	26	13,250	Capt. Matsevich	Nagasaki
Sestopol	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Seppelrennoff	Nagasaki
Sitach	Russian gunboat	950	8	1125	Lieut. Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Sivoch	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Varyag	Russian cruiser	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Vladik	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagoriansky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Zabika	Russian cruiser	1230	6	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	10	1277	Commander Karl Rohrer	Canton
Callao	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. E. A. Anderson	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1159	8	1600	Commander C. G. Bowman	Manila
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	54	—	—	Lt. Comdr. A. G. Winterhalter	Amoy
Froilo	U. S. gunboat	1600	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. J. M. Helm	Manila
General Alava	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Lieut. Comdr. W. F. Halse	Manila
Helena	U. S. gunboat	400	—	—	Comdr. R. R. Ingersoll	Manila
Isla de Cebu	U. S. flag ship	11,500	41	10,000	Comdr. Parker	Hongkong
Kentucky	U. S. gunboat	1500	2	750	Captain C. H. Stockton	Manila
Manila	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Comdr. T. H. Stevens	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	1370	6	850	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Monoway	U. S. gunboat	474	4	5244	Comdr. F. M. Wise	Tsuki
Monterey	U. S. cruiser	4140	—	—	Comdr. Drake	Hongkong
New Orleans	U. S. flag ship	870	24	17,401	Captain M. R. S. Maconzenie	Manila
New York	U. S. gunboat	100	6	800	Commander J. P. Selfridge	Nagasaki
Princeton	U. S. cruiser	6030	—	—	—	Manila
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	100	10	1118	Commander F. B. Barry	Manila
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	400	—	—	Lieut. L. C. Bertolotto	Amoy
Villaboa	U. S. gunboat	1397	3	1844	Commander E. S. Frim	Amoy
Washington	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	1841	Commander Ward	Manila
Yorktown	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	—	—

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of
The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
at the Company's Office.

6 p.m.—Meeting of Royal Hongkong
Yacht Club at Cricket Club Pavilion.

Tender Closed.
Noon.—Tenders for War Department
Contracts, received at the Head-
quarters Office.

Auction.
2.30.—Auction of Household Furniture,
do., at No. 3, Granville Avenue, Kow-
loon.

Amusements.
9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous.
Goods per *Muzen* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.
Goods per *India Maru* not cleared on
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.
Friday, March 6:—
Goods per *Valetta* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

Saturday, March 7:—
2.00 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, do., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammert's
Sales Rooms.

3 p.m.—Regimental Sports at Whitfield
Camp, Kowloon.
Transfer Books of The Hongkong Hotel
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BIRTHS.
On the 23rd February, the wife of J. A.
Hamilton, Central Engine Works, Singa-
pore, of a Daughter.
At Fochow, on 19th February, Mrs.
CARL ROSEMAN, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.20 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Maxim Practice.
A Government Gazette Extraordinary
published yesterday notified that infor-
mation has been received from the military
authorities that Maxim gun practice will
be carried out at Kowloon on the 5th, 6th
and 7th March, commencing at about 9 a.m.

Mishap.
A European passenger fell overboard
from one of the Star Ferry launches last
night. The launch was lying alongside the
jetty at Hongkong, and the passenger was
crossing the gangway when he slipped and
fell between the boat and the pier. He
escaped with a wetting.

A Successful Debutante.
Miss Constance Drever, who, although
a complete novice, replaced Miss Agnes
Fraser at two days' notice at the first pro-
duction of the new Savoy Opera 'A
Princess of Kensington,' a daughter of
the late Colonel W. S. Drever, C.S.I., a
former Commissioner of Police in Madras.
Miss Drever has two brothers in the
Madras Army, Captain J. W. Drever being
in the 11th Coerz Infantry, and Captain
T. J. Drever in the 26th Madras Infantry.
This young lady's debut was pronounced
on all hands a brilliant success.

Borneo Rice Duty.
A day or two ago (writes the Sandakan
correspondent of the *Singapore Free Press*),
a telegram from His Excellency the Gov-
ernor, was received here notifying the
authorities that the import duty of 20 cents
per pikul on rice was to be taken off at
further notice. This came rather as a
surprise, though such a step had practically
been promised to the Chinese merchants
here some months ago by the Governor.
The deleting of this tax cannot fail to do a
lot of good, and we hope an increase in the
importations of rice will prove so much to
the Government in a practical form. It is
reported that the native crop on the West
Coast is an absolute failure this year, and
this may in part have influenced the
Governor in his step.

The West River.
At the Committee meeting of the
Hongkong General Chamber of Com-
merce on the 17th February, the following
letter was read:—
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903.
Sir,—In continuation of my letter of the
20th of October last, I am directed to in-
form you that His Majesty's Consul Gen-
eral at Canton has reported that the Chinese
authorities have agreed to grant additional
facilities for passenger traffic on the West
River, and that the following places have
been opened as ports of call: Do Sing,
Yuet Ling, Lok To, Lok Po, Tiew Lik, Kan
Kong, Mah Ning and Yung Ki.
I am also informed that the steamers
'Saiman' and 'Nanning' have already
commenced calling at these places.—
I have, etc.,
(Signed) F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary.
The Chairman said this letter was a most
satisfactory communication.

The Currency Question.
The following paragraph in the minutes
of the Hongkong General Chamber of
Commerce Committee meeting on the 17th
February explains the position taken up by
the Committee at the Special Meeting of
members held on the 18th February:—
The Secretary reported that, in response
to a requisition dated 10th February, signed
by Messrs Edward Osborne, G. W. F.
Playfair, J. R. Michael, W. G. Humphreys
and Bradley & Co., a Special General
Meeting of the Members had been called
for the following day at 3.15 p.m. for the
purpose of discussing the question of
local currency, and that, in order to comply
with By-Law No. V, notice had been given
by Mr. Edward Osborne:—That in the
opinion of this Meeting it is desirable the
Straits Currency Commission should extend
its enquiries to Hongkong with a view to
ascertaining whether reform of the Colony's
currency arrangements is advisable. A
long discussion ensued as to the exact
meaning of the Resolution as worded. A
reform in the Colony's currency arrange-
ments could, it was felt, only mean the
adoption of a gold standard with or without
China, and the Committee, with the excep-
tion of Mr. R. C. Wilcox, agreed that such
being the case they could not support it.
It was decided, however, to first hear the
arguments addressed by those putting for-
ward the proposal before taking the vote
of the Committee as a Body.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
The Welsh Anthracite coal mine
owners form a combine with a capital of
£4,000,000.

Mr T. Jones, of the Chartered Bank,
goes from Batavia to Bangkok to relieve
Mr J. Forbes, gone home on leave.

Mr John Turner has accepted the seat
on the Straits Legislative Council made
vacant by the retirement of the Hon. J. M.
B. Vermont, C.M.G.

The International Banking Corpora-
tion and Messrs Wilkinson, Heywood and
Clark, Limited, have been elected members
of the Hongkong General Chamber of
Commerce.

Admiral Sir Henry Keppel is reported
to have improved in health and spirits
during his stay in Johore. He leaves
Singapore for England on 3rd April, per P.
and O. mail steamer.

The N. D. L. *Borneo*, a new boat
destined for the timber trade between
Saidakan and Hongkong, and fitted for
ten first-class passengers, has been launched
at Lubek. She carries 3,300 tons dead
weight, and steamed eleven knots on her
trial.

The *Malay Mail* announces that Mr
H. J. Crowe, who has conducted the *Perek
Pioneer* with so much ability during the
past three years, leaves for Penang at the
end of this month to join the editorial staff
of the new paper which is shortly starting
in Penang. The new paper is owned by
Chinese in Penang and the Native States.

Excessive Passengers.
At the Magistracy, to-day, the master
of the Chinese launch, *Wing Tai*, was
fined \$60 for carrying 53 passengers in
excess of his licensed number. P.C. Jack-
son prosecuted.

The Plague.
Two more fatal cases of plague are re-
ported to-day—one at No. 3 Wing Fung
Street and another on board the s.s. *Kwai
Yang* in the Harbour. We regret to hear
that plague-infected rats have been found
in the Peak District.

Football.
To-morrow afternoon on the Happy
Valley in the semi-finals for the 'Football
Shield,' H. M. S. *Glory* will play H. M. S.
Ocean, kick-off at four o'clock. This is
expected to be a very fine match. The
final will be played on Saturday next at 4
p.m.

Rat-holes Cost Money.
Tang Siew Yee, owner of No. 115, Ying
Foo Street, Kennedy Town, was, at the
Magistracy, to-day, fined \$50 for not filling
up rat-holes in his premises. He was fur-
ther ordered to comply with the Sanitary
Board notice. Inspector Fincher pro-
secuted.

Canton and Wuchow.
A French company has been started in
Canton to run a steamboat service from
Canton to Wuchow. Three boats, in
sections, are on their way out from Mar-
seille, and the first boat will commence
running about September.

Chamber of Commerce Accounts.
At the last Committee meeting of the
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce,
the Secretary (Mr A. R. Lowe) submitted
draft statements of Income & Expenditure
Account for 1902 showing excess of Income
over Expenditure of \$34.85 after writing
off deductions of the late Clerk during the
year amounting to \$2,595.03, less \$1,259
since recovered. The Balance Sheet show-
ed \$4,073.54 to the credit of the 'Pinnacle
Rock Fund' and \$12,153.02 to the credit
of the 'Reserve Fund.' The Accounts were
passed, subject to audit, and the Chairman
(Hon. C. S. Sharp) remarked that had pre-
vious years' statements been framed in a
similar manner, instead of being merely
summaries of cash receipts and payments,
the defalcations of the Clerk in recent
years would probably have been found out
before reaching any great extent.

The 'Directory and Chronicle.'
Although a couple of months of the
year have already passed away, the annual
issue of the 'Directory and Chronicle' is
over welcome. The issue just received
fully justifies the previous editions, as it
maintains its former reputation, and keeps
well up to date in its information. The
warmly-discussed Treaty signed by Sir
James Mackay finds a place in the ap-
pendix, so that residents may refer to it
when their provisions are carried out, or
otherwise. We may notice that the de-
scriptive portion of Wei-hai-wei has been
brought up to the present—as Admiral
Freemantle would say, as a proof of the
inconsistency of the British Admiralty.
But Mr Stewart Lockhart, the High Com-
missioner, is not an Admiral. Two or
three new plans have either been added or
improved, and this feature of the work is
a credit to the publishers. For many years
the publishers (the *Hongkong Daily Press*
Office) may well be congratulated upon its
steady advancement in usefulness and
accuracy. Indeed, it is fast becoming too
large to include the entire range of the
East in one widely volume.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Chinese Golfer.
Mr Chung Ah Yong has taken to golf.
He is probably the first Chinaman in these
parts playing the game, says the *Perek
Pioneer*.

Wandering Boats.
Asa Singh appeared before Mr Haz-
land, to-day, at the Magistracy, to show
cause why he permitted several head of
cows and buffalo to wander without control
at Yauwati. He was fined \$10, with the
alternative of one month's imprisonment,
and he was also warned that if he did not
keep his cattle under proper control he
would be fined \$50 more.

Death of a Prominent Mason.
Mr D. Murray Lyon, Past Grand
Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland,
and author of the 'Standard History of
Freemasonry in Scotland,' died on Jan.
30 at Liberton, near Edinburgh. Deceased,
who was nearly 80 years of age, was ap-
pointed Grand Secretary 30 years ago, and
retired on pension three years ago. He
was well known all over the world as an
authority on Masonic law and literature.

The Borneo Railway.
The Sandakan correspondent of the
Singapore Free Press writes:—It is gener-
ally understood here that much of the
Jesselton movement is being quietly shelved
by the Government, and that various
works planned for that place will not be
put in hand, at least not for some time to
come. It is also reported here that Mr
T. R. Hubbard will not come back to this
Service, the Court of Directors at Home
not being exactly pleased with his frank
report on the Railway from Jesselton. If
this is so, it will be a distinct loss to the
country, for undoubtedly Mr Hubbard
was one of the best men the Service has
ever had.

Currency Notes in India.
It is stated in Calcutta (says the
Madras Mail) that Sir Edward Law will
shortly introduce a Bill to provide for a
universal RS Note, which will be legal
tender at all Currency Offices in India,
excluding Burma. Sir Edward Law's
proposed Currency Note Bill makes all RS
notes of each Centre cashable in all other
Centres, Rangoon alone excepted. It also
repeals, so far only as future issues are
concerned, the existing arrangement where-
by notes of RS10 and upwards issued in
places like Allahabad and Lahore are
cashable also in Presidency towns. It does
not restrict in any way the cashability of
notes already in circulation. It further
makes no new centres of issue; but such
can be created at any time, under the exist-
ing law, by Notification in the 'Gazette.'

Singapore Weather.
The *Straits Times*, of the 23rd Febru-
ary, says:—The dismal weather is a topic
of general conversation just now. Floods
have been frequent in various low-lying
parts of the town, and the heavy rains
have played havoc with the roads—
especially those composed of latente. So
far as we are aware, no damage has
been sustained by the railway, which
was working throughout yester-
day. In Kranat Road, off Orchard
Road, yesterday, five shophouses
which had just been erected, suc-
cumbed to the elements and collapsed
with a crash, but fortunately no one
was hurt. A heavy swell has prevailed
in the harbour, and incoming ships
report bad weather outside. Yesterday
the rain squalls were so bad that H.M.S.
Mutine sent down her topmasts, a rare
thing for a vessel to do in Singapore
harbour, and at 11 o'clock this morning
the sky was so overcast that it was found
necessary to light lamps in many offices
usually light enough.

The Status of Silver.
The New York correspondent of the
Standard called on the 29th January:—
The *Tribune* supplements the statement
made to the House of Representatives re-
garding co-operation between silver-using
countries to check the depreciation of their
currencies. Mexico and China have both
addressed the State Department on the
subject. The Chinese proposal is not
known, but it is doubtless similar to that
of Mexico, presented through the banker,
Mr Creel, for a coinage system like that
designed by the Administration for the
Philippines, on the basis of thirty-two to
one. By a legislative vagary the House re-
jected this Bill, and substituted the exten-
sion to the Philippines of the United States
currency system, with dollars instead of
pesos. The Senate will ignore this action
by the House, and revert to the original
proposal. The State Department has also
received overtures for its friendly support
of the suggestion that England and France
should join with respect to the Straits Set-
tlements and Indo-China, the desire being
to have a movement that shall be world-
wide. The *Evening Post* considers the mat-
ter important, but perceives nothing to
show that the scheme will operate better
than others like it which have failed.

THE UNLUCKY BOY
It's always getting his fingers burnt, his
hand cut, or his shoulder sprained.
His parents should keep a bottle of Cham-
berlain's Pain Balm in the house. This is
a liniment of superior merit. One applica-
tion gives relief. Try it. For sale by All
Druggists, *Malaya Mail*, General Agents.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Chai Mui.
For playing *chai mui* at Shek Tong
Tui, five Chinese brothel keepers were
fined \$10 each, at the Magistracy, to-day.

The Dead Watchman.
The dead body of the watchman who
fell overboard from the *Fame* has been
picked up off Hunghom.

Boy Killed.
A Portuguese boy fell from a verandah
of a house at Po Hing Fong lane, a distance
of sixty feet, yesterday. The boy, who was
just over five years of age, was killed on
the spot.

Spring Race Meeting.
In another column will be found the
programme of the Hongkong Jockey Club's
Spring Race Meeting, which is to be held
on Saturday, the 4th April. Six events are
down for decision. Entries must be sent
in before 5 p.m. on the 14th inst.

Careless Contractor.
As a warning to careless contractors
who allow lumps of mortar to fall from aloft
during the carrying-out of house repairs,
a builder who erred in this way whilst
working at 304, and 306, Queen's Road
West, was fined \$25, at the Magistracy,
to-day.

A Junk in Collision.
Messrs Bradley and Co's. steamer
Siam, which arrived from Saigon yester-
day, reports having been in collision at 1
a.m. with a junk, which was sunk. The
crew of ten men, three women and
five children were rescued by the steamer
and brought on to Hongkong.

'Cornering' Seats.
The system adopted by some Chinese
patrons of their native theatres, according
to which rows of seats are 'cornered' by a
couple of individuals, very often leads to
trouble. Several charges of disorderly
conduct arising out of attempts to secure
more than personal accommodation for the
purpose of selling them at a premium, were
threwed out at the Magistracy, to-day.
Five defendants were fined in amounts
varying from five dollars to one dollar.

A Gallant Rescue.
The *Standard* of the 30th January,
states:—Despatches received yesterday at
Plymouth from Hongkong report that when
the battle-ship *Albatross* was on her way up
from Singapore, and during collision with
exercise, a second-class petty officer, named
Stubbs, fell overboard. Commander
Kiddle, who was on the bridge, immedi-
ately dived after him and helped the man to
grasp the lifebuoy thrown to him. Both
were rescued by the lifeboat. They were
much exhausted, as a heavy sea was
running.

Coolie Troubles in Java.
The other day (says a Batavia journal),
a steamer called the *Bremen* arrived at
Mantok in the island of Banka with a con-
signment of coolies from Hongkong. These
coolies had been engaged to work at the
tin mines in that island. The coolies, owing
to some irregularities in the method of
recruiting them in China, refused to land
at Mantok, and raised disturbances of
board so that soldiers had to be called in
to restore order. So disorderly did the
coolies become, that the authorities had to
pack them off to Singapore. This incident
has called attention to the way in which
coolies are recruited for the Banka tin
mines. These mines are worked by Gov-
ernment which gets the coolies from China,
not directly but through a contractor who
receives eighty dollars for every coolie land-
ed in Banka. The contractor at present is
a Chinaman, who gets advances from
Government whenever a consignment is
on the way. The coolies are engaged in
China through professional recruiters who
see to the shipments going on regularly.
The eighty dollars head money is paid in
Banka on the coolies being found sound
upon arrival. Both recruiters and contrac-
tor do their best to make money to the
disadvantage of the coolies who are kept
purposely misinformed, owing to the mining
work in Banka having gained a bad name
among the Chinese labouring class. Of
late, on emigrant vessels arriving at
Mantok, many of the coolies have refused
to land on the ground that they had
engaged themselves for work at Singapore,
and had been kept ignorant of the fact that
Banka was their true destination. Very
often it takes a good deal of official persua-
sion to move the coolies to land at all.
All persuasion failed in the case of the
Bremen, to the heavy loss of the contractor.

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.98	29.97	29.85
Temperature ...	81	82	85
Humidity ...	84	82	88
Direction of Wind ...	E	E	E
Force ...	4	3	3
Weather ...	0	0	0
Rain ...	0	0.01	—

Highest open air temperature on the 2nd ... 82.
Lowest open air temperature on the 2nd ... 69.
P. G. FIGG, Acting Director.
Hongkong Observatory, March 4, 1903.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]
MACEDONIA.
London, March 2, 1903.
Hilmi Pasha has been appointed In-
spector General of Macedonia to supervise
reforms.

RUSSIA.
It is understood at St Petersburg that
M. Pokotiloff, Manager of the Russo-
Chinese Bank in Peking, will replace M.
Tatishoff as Russia's Financial Agent in
London, while M. Tatishoff will be ap-
pointed to a post in the Ministry of the
Interior.

**THE 'RESOLUTION' IN THE
GALE.**
Divers have found that H. M. S. *Re-
solution* lost her rudder entirely in the
recent gale.

THE HEALTH OF THE POPE.
Some anxiety is felt concerning the
health of the Pope, who is receiving Jubilee
deputations with manifest difficulty.

NAVAL.
H. M. S. *Collingwood* has proved to be
in a leaky condition on entering Plymouth.

THE BROUGHS' SEASON.

'The Magistrate.'

It would be too much to say that no
funnier piece than *The Magistrate* has ever
been written. Funnier plays there are,
but they are very few, and, saving perhaps
Weak Woman and *Charley's Aunt*, their
merit is mostly of an extravagant kind.
At Home, we only know one Mr
Posket, Mr Edward Terry. Terry's lank
spare figure and that awful nose of his
come into the picture if one but thinks of
the Magistrate's trying experience. Here
we have had several excellent prior in-
troductions to the story, and, last night,
the merits and shortcomings of the A.D.C.
performance were weighed in the mental
balance of the audience during the pro-
gress of the three acts. 'Comparisons,'
as Mrs Malaprop said, 'are odorous,'
but tested by contrast the Amateurs had
no reason to blush for shame, whilst
Mr Brough and his satellite stars of
admirable magnitude gave one of the best
interpretations of the comedy we have
had the pleasure of sitting through. Mr
Brough is irresistible as Po-let. In every
scene he had the house at his feet. As Mr
Bullamy, Mr Percy Walshe was very good;
and the Cio Farrington of Mr Leslie
Victor was an exceedingly smart bit of
acting. Mrs Brough could scarcely im-
prove her Charlotte Verinder. Miss Susie
Vaughan, as Mrs Posket, is also quite at
home. Her old lady is one of the best
types of the kind the stage has given.
It is drawn naturally and well. The other
parts were suitably filled, and the mount-
ing was, again, the theme of rich praise.
The audience laughed right through the
performances, enjoying it to the full.
To-night the play will make its
final bid for approval.—*Seeing the
Magistrate* being set down for performance
to-morrow night and Friday night. Of
this play it should not be necessary to
speak. Mr Grundy was roundly criticised
when it first saw the light, but the in-
dependent dramatist laughed at his audi-
ence, and everybody went to see the play.
Personally, we deprecate those surgical
methods adopted by too many playwrights
in dealing with the serious side of life. It
is never pleasant to walk in mud, but al-
though *Seeing the Magistrate* is a severe
lesson and points a stern moral, it does so
without offence.

It will be remembered that it was with
'

CANTONESE FLOT SEQUEL.

Chinese Honours for the Governor and Consuls.

We understand that His Excellency Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong; Consul-General Scott, Canton; and the German Consul at Canton, will be decorated, very shortly, by the Chinese Government. Sir Henry Blake will, we believe, receive the three button dignity. This compliment, we are told, is meant to be an expression of the Imperial appreciation of the steps taken recently to suppress the Reformist attempt to capture Canton.

GEO. FENWICK & COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Directors have now to submit to the Shareholders a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902. The Net Profit for the year amounts to \$25,170.35, to which has to be added \$11,676.33 brought forward from last year's account. After payment of Directors and Auditor, it is proposed to pay a dividend of 15 per cent., or \$22,500 to Shareholders, to transfer to Reserve Fund \$5,000, and to carry forward \$8,000.68 to next year's account. During the earlier months of the year we were not fully employed; trade, however, improved as the year advanced, and although we had no very large contracts we put through a fair amount of general work.

Directors.—Mr. A. Rodger, according to the Articles, retire, but offers himself for re-election.
Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. Thomas Arnold, who offers himself for re-election.

W. PARLANE, Chairman.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1903.

PROPOSED LICENSING OF PILOTS.

Government Refuses to Take Action.

At the Committee meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on the 17th ult., the following correspondence was read:—

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1903.

Sir,—With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the proposal to license the pilots of this port, I am directed to bring to your notice, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, further arguments in support of the proposal, with the object of inducing the Government to reconsider the decision previously arrived at.

From the copy of a circular letter enclosed herein, addressed by this Chamber to the shipping firms and agencies in this Colony, you will observe that their opinion was sought as to the advisability of otherwise bringing the pilots under control.

In answer to this enquiry, Messrs. Bradley and Co., the P. and O. S.N. Co., Melchers and Co., the Hongkong and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., Butterfield and Swire, Shaw, Tan and Co., Gibb, Livingston and Co., David Sassoon and Co., Ltd., the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Jardine, Matheson and Co., Pacific Mail S.S. Co., Oceanic and Oriental S.S. Co., and the Toyoko Kisen Kaisha, representing the chief shipping interest in this Colony, replied favouring the licensing of the pilots by an Examination Board possessing the necessary authority, and the opinion was expressed that as the authorities at other ports throughout the world were able to do this, there should be no difficulty in making similar arrangements in Hongkong. No replies were received antagonistic to the proposal.

His Excellency will remember that the Committee's grounds for making the proposal were that many of the older and more reliable pilots were not now available owing to deaths, old age, or retirement, and their places taken by men of inferior calibre, and that the increasing size of vessels and the more congested state of the Harbour necessarily required more care and knowledge on the part of the Pilots than in the past.

The Committee are strongly against the institution of compulsory piloting as the Harbour is not a naturally difficult one to navigate and by reason of their local knowledge a number of the masters of ships running in and out on the Coast trade do not require pilots.

It is very obvious that the possession of a certificate of competency cannot but prove advantageous to respectable men and the fees suggested are within the reach of all, so that the only effect would be to weed out the undesirable to make room for better men.

My Committee trust that, in view of the opinions expressed by the Shipping Community in favour of some control of the pilots, exercised over the pilots, His Excellency will be pleased to give this matter further consideration.—I have, &c.,
(Signed) H. A. Lowe, Secretary.
Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1903.
Sir, I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th instant on the proposed licensing of the pilots of this Port, and to inform you that the Governor has given it his full consideration.

2. With every wish to meet the views of the Chamber of Commerce if possible, His Excellency desires me to inform you that in view of the reasons fully set forth in my letter No. 1574 of the 15th July last he considers the proposal impracticable. His Excellency regrets therefore that he must adhere to the decision already conveyed to you in my letter No. 2256 of the 18th October.—I have, &c.,
(Signed) F. H. May, Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.
The Chairman (Hon. C. S. Sharp) said that no further steps could very well be taken locally, and after some discussion it was decided to record the Committee's dissatisfaction with the decision arrived at by the Government.

TO PREVENT CROUP.

BEGIN in time. The first symptom is hoarseness, this is soon followed by a peculiar rough cough, which is easily recognized and will never be forgotten by one who has heard it. The time to act is when the child begins to become hoarse. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is freely given, all tendency to croup will soon disappear. Even after the croupy cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. There is no danger in giving this remedy as it contains nothing injurious to the system.

LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
LONDON, January 30.

The reign of the shoe is seriously threatened, and it seems we are to make a determined effort to return to the days when civilisation was high in its infancy. Some enterprising bootmakers in the West End are exhibiting sandals for ladies' evening wear, and they assure anxious enquirers that they have many customers, but that these are generally the possessors of small feet and ankles, and who are, therefore, not averse to an unusual share of public attention.

The marriage of the Earl of Kinross and Miss Darell will be remembered as one of those very few occasions when the rule that the bridesmaids should be dressed in white was broken away from and at the same time the charm and beauty of the ceremony were preserved, if not indeed enhanced. The colours of the bridegroom's family (red and white) were used in these extremely effective costumes, which had little red velvet coats trimmed with tassels and paste buttons, and skirts made in three founces of rich oeru lace. Large white felt hats, bound at the edge with red velvet, and with red and white poinsettias laid on them, were worn, and each of the nine bridesmaids received a brooch with the initials of the happy couple in rubies and surmounted by a coronet in diamonds. The decorations were also carried out in red and white flowers, white heather, the badge of the Hay clan, being especially abundant and delightful. The bride was beautifully dressed in white satin, veiled with chiffon, which was again covered with silver-flecked net. The front of the gown and the deep collar were embellished with sprays of lilac and green foliage embroidery, and there was a Court train of silver and white brocade. The presents numbered over 500, and included a motor car which had been subscribed to by many friends. This is a form of wedding gift which promises to be very popular for Society weddings nowadays.

There are many churches situated in the very heart of the capital which are valuable only for the ancient traditions which cling round them, and their rectors are oft hard pushed to assemble a congregation to justify their existence. As the city has become more and more congested with business buildings, former residents have been forced to find dwellings in the suburbs, which electric traction has brought into such easy and quick communication, and as each borough is practically overflowing with magnificently appointed and well-ventilated churches, suburban prefer to perform their devotions at home. One preacher's church was situated within reach of a fashionable quarter, and he appealed to his flock by the announcement that they could attend in evening dress, so that they might have their evening meal in peace and attire as they were accustomed. It is quite an ordinary matter to have violin or organ solos, and Mrs. Brown Potter has recited in many sacred edifices. At a church in Clerkenwell, a vicar was convinced that the poor people whose religious needs he tended would attend sacred service if their neighbours were unable to criticise their shabby clothes, so every Thursday evening a 'Service in the Dark' is held, and they are largely attended by small shopkeepers and their families. The entire office is displayed by limelight on a screen, and the congregation are enabled to enjoy a truly novel magic lantern show while imbibing words of comfort and wisdom.

So strong does public feeling run against drunkenness that all over the country steps are being taken to fight its encroachments on the morals of the English character. A movement which is meeting with a large measure of support, has been set on foot by which members who join the league pledge themselves not to touch intoxicating liquors between meals. Of course, such a promise would carry no weight with the habitual offender, but it is felt there are many young men and women, who might otherwise yield to temptation but who would not go back on their pledged word, so adherents are being very quickly enrolled. The scheme has been warmly supported on the Stock Exchange, and there is a growing tendency among men to 'discontinue' taking alcohol when conducting business affairs with clients. In restaurants also, where formerly guests were served with wine, the new order is being followed.

ment to order wine with their lunch or dinner, now mineral waters are in great request, and a man is no longer considered a fool if he refuse to drink.

In continuance of the good work inaugurated last year, the Playgoers' Club are again treating the poorest children of our slums and alleys to a pantomime matinee. No matter whether they be deaf or dumb or blind or cripples or half-witted, so long as the authorities are certain that but for their kindly aid the wonders of stageland would for them ever be wrapt in mystery, each poor mite is invited to the play 'as if we were blooming lords,' as 'Enry' proudly remarked to Mord. The teachers at the various board schools, throughout the metropolis are consulted as to the proper recipients, and care is taken that each small reveller as he enters the theatre shall be provided with a bag containing a meat pie, a huge slice of cake, an orange and sweets innumerable. The sightless are placed in the stalls where every remark can be plainly heard, and where they can lustily join in the choruses, while the boxes hold those without the sense of hearing but who from this position can watch the actions of the actors and actresses, who are often so convulsed with laughter at the frank and loudly spoken criticism that they can scarce proceed with their work of bringing one day's sunshine into little lives more used to gloom and hardship.

CORRESPONDENCE.

REVISION OF COURSES OF STUDY.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Foochow, February 27.

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly help me

by publishing the following notice:—

The last Methodist Conference for China, held at Shanghai in 1899, appointed a Standing Committee on the courses of study for Chinese travelling preachers, local preachers and students. Of this Committee, the Rev. W. T. Hobart, of North China, is Secretary, and the undersigned is Chairman.

I desire to call for suggestions with regard to revising these courses at the session of the Central Conference to be held next November. This work would be greatly facilitated by an exchange of views as to what alterations should be made, what recently published books (in English) should be included in the new courses, etc., etc. I shall be glad to receive suggestions concerning these matters. I shall be greatly obliged if authors, translators and publishers will send me copies of books that are deemed suitable for these courses, so that they may be carefully examined and reported on at the next Central Conference.—Yours,
W. C. WILCOX,
Methodist Episcopal Mission, Foochow.

MERCHANT SHIPPING AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1901.

At the Committee meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on the 17th February, the following letters were read:—

Sunthampton, 7th January, 1903.

The Secretary, Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong.

DEAR SIR,—Your circular letter of the 18th October last, on the subject of the Merchant Shipping Regulation now in force in your Port with regard to the expenses of Shipowners in cases of death or sickness on board has been under the consideration of the Directors at their two last Meetings, and I am directed to state that they are in full accord with your efforts to get the Regulation repealed.

They, however, consider that they cannot take any independent action in the matter, as, from enquiries they have made, they do not find that Shipowners seemed concerned about it.—Yours faithfully,
(Signed) FREDERICK STEWART,
HON. SECRETARY.

The Incorporated Chamber of Commerce of Liverpool, B. 10, Exchange Buildings, Liverpool, 10th January, 1903.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 18th on the subject of the Hongkong Quarantine Ordinance Regulations, which has received careful consideration, and I am to enclose for your information a copy of letter sent to the Colonial Office requesting the repeal of that part of the Ordinance which makes Shipowners liable for cost and expenses of passengers who have died or been taken ill and removed under the quarantine regulations referred to.—I am, yours faithfully,
(Signed) THOMAS H. BARKER,
Secretary.

The Incorporated Chamber of Commerce of Liverpool,
Liverpool, January 10, 1903.

Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance 1899, and Amended Ordinance 1901.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that the Council of the Chamber have received a letter from the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce complaining of provisions contained in regulation No. 17 of the first-named Ordinance, and the regulation No. 16 of the amended Ordinance, whereby shipowners are made liable to the Government for cost and expenses of passengers who have died, or who have been taken ill on board ship, and who have been removed therefrom under the quarantine regulations of the Ordinance on their arrival in Hongkong.

It is stated that the amended Ordinance of 1901 has not yet been confirmed. The Council of the Chamber have carefully considered the matter, and consulted the large Shipping Associations and Steamship Lines interested. They are strongly of opinion that the principle involved, viz. imposing such liabilities on the shipowner in the case of persons not on the ship's articles, is most unfair, and they trust that steps will be immediately taken with a view to the repeal of the regulation in question.—I am, Sir, Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) THOMAS H. BARKER,
Secretary.

This Chamber's Complaint is being forwarded to the Colonial Office.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL SHIELD.

The First of the Semi-Finals.

At the Happy Valley yesterday, before a large crowd of spectators, the semi-final in the Hongkong Football Shield Competition between 'B' Company, Sherwood Foresters, and H.M.S. Argonaut was played. The soldiers kicked off, but the sailors got possession of the ball, and in a few minutes they had opened the scoring. There was some good play on both sides, but the back division of the soldiers' team could not hold the sailors in check, and the first half closed with the score:—Argonaut, 5 goals; 'B' Co., 0.

The second period was all in favour of the sailors, who won easily. Score:—Argonaut, 8 goals; 'B' Company, 0.

It has been arranged to play the other semi-final to-morrow, the contesting teams being H. M. S. Ocean and H. M. S. Glory. Both teams are in fine form, so a good game is assured. It is unfortunate for the Glorys that they have lost the services of Lieut. Sherbrooke, who went home by the P. and O. mail steamer on Saturday to undergo a course of gymnastic instruction at Aldershot, preparatory to taking up new appointments. The final tie for the Shield will be played on Saturday between the Argonaut and the winners of Thursday's tie.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 4th at 11.55a. The barometer has risen over E. Japan, fallen over W. Japan, the Looches and the S.E. coast of China. The depression passed over the E. coast during the night and is now approaching the W. coast of Japan. The monsoon will probably set in again over the Formosa Channel during the next 24 hours. Light variable winds of all N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—variable winds, light or moderate; unsettled, some rain.

A HARGREAVE CHEMIST

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Hongkong, March 4, 1903.

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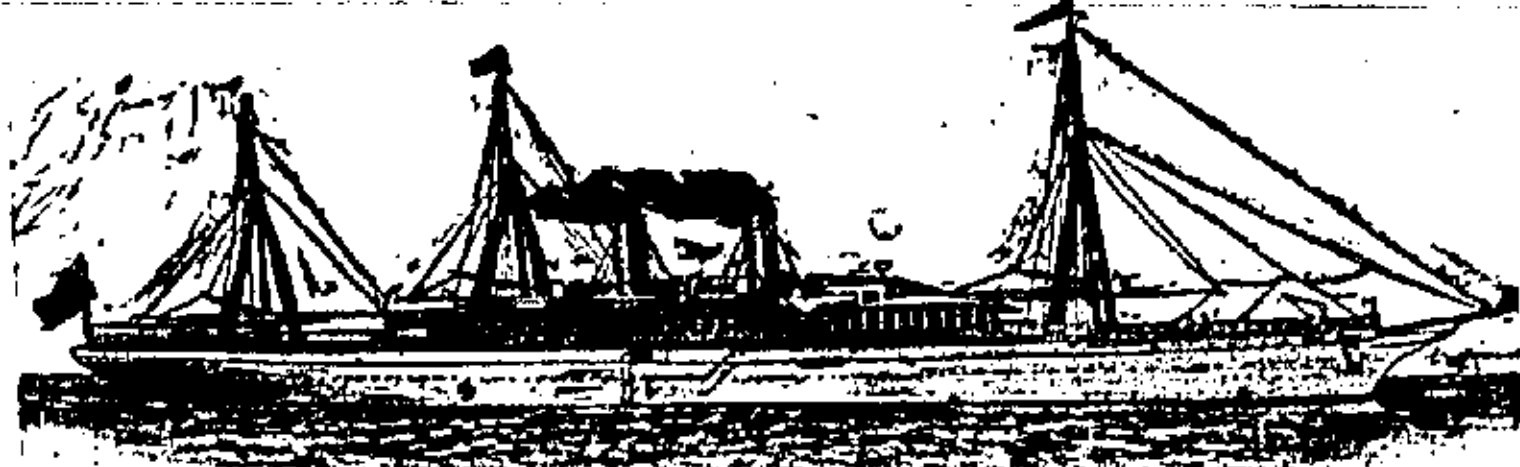
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Hongkong, March 2, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Destinations	Sailing Dates
HAKATA MARU, F. L. SONNEN	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 7th March, Daylight.
DIAMANTE, F. E. COPE	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	MONDAY, 9th March, at Noon.
AKI MARU, J. W. ERSTLAND	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 10th March, at 4 p.m.
HITACHI MARU, J. CAMPBELL	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 13th March, Daylight.
IDUMI MARU, M. YAGI	KOBE.	TUESDAY, 17th March, at Noon.
HIROSHIMA MARU, J. NAGAO	MOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 20th March, at Noon.
AWA MARU, N. TRENT	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 21st March, Daylight.
BOMBAY MARU, T. MURAI	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	TUESDAY, 24th March, at Noon.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamships. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

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PRINCE'S Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. Mihara Manager

Hongkong, March 4, 1903.

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLASGOW	8th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLASGOW	11th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLASGOW	21st March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLASGOW	25th March.

HOMEWARDS.

LONDON BERTH.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON, via GENOA	DIOMEDE	7th March.
LONDON, via GENOA	MACAON	17th March.
LONDON, via GENOA	KINTUCK	31st March.
LONDON, via GENOA	PINGUEY	14th April.
LONDON, via GENOA	JASON	28th April.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.

(Taking Cargo at London Rates.)

LIVERPOOL, via GENOA, 24th March.

LIVERPOOL, via GENOA, 23rd April.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.

MARSEILLES & ANTWERP, 3rd March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via OANFA	KAIFONG	23rd March.
NKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHANGSHA	11th March.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CHINKIANG	SECHOW	5th March.
AMOY AND MANILA	KWEIYANG	4th March.
SHANGHAI	SINGAN	4th March.
SHANGHAI	ICHANG	7th March.
AMOY, SAMARANG & SOUBAYAN, SHANTUNG	KAIFONG	7th March.
CEBU AND LOILO	CHANGSHA	11th March.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	11th March.
THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	CHANGSHA	11th March.

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Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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Hongkong, March 2, 1903.

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STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGAGE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Sailing Dates
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 4th March.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 18th March.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 15th April.
KLAUSCHOU	WEDNESDAY, 29th April.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 13th May.
ZIEFEN	WEDNESDAY, 27th May.
PRINZ REG. LUITPOLD	THURSDAY, 11th June.
ROON	THURSDAY, 25th June.
PREUSSEN	THURSDAY, 9th July.

Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

On WEDNESDAY, the 4th of March, 1903, at Noon, the steamship PREUSSEN, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain E. PREHN, with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 3rd March.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to Norddeutscher Lloyd.

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Steamers	Tons	Captains	1902.
LYRA	4417	W. Williams	March 10.
VICTORIA	3502	J. Pantou	March 17.
HYADES	3753	G. Wright	March 24.

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to PACIFIC COAST POINTS and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further information as to Freight, or Passage, Apply to DODWELL & CO., Limited, General Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1903.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE

named	STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	DATE.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SUEZ, PANAMA, COLON, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	Banca t. E. P. MARTIN, R.N.	Noon, 5th March.	
SINGAPORE COLOMBO, AND BOMBAY	Tientsin	W. W. COOKE, R.N.	About 6th March.
YMA VIA SHAI, MOJI AND KOBE	G. W. GORDON, R.N.	About 10th March.	
LONDON & CHINA	Faletta	W. B. PALMER, R.N.	14th March, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	Chum	O. L. DANIEL	14th March.

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CHINA AND MANILA
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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	Mar. 4, at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	Mar. 13, at Noon.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	"	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 27, 1903.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMER	LEAVING
ANPING, via SWATOW AND AMOY	MAIDZURU MARU	WEDNESDAY, 4th March.
TAMU, via SWATOW AND AMOY	DAIGI MARU	SUNDAY, 8th March.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW AND AMOY	ANPING MARU	WEDNESDAY, 11th March.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a fully qualified Doctor is carried.

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For Freight, Passage and further information apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Vaux Road, Central.

T. ARIMA, MANAGER.

Hongkong, February 27, 1903.

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REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS

THE Company's well-known Steamship KOKILLA MARU, 3888 Tons, Captain E. F. BURROUGHS, will be despatched for MANILA on SATURDAY, the 7th March, at Noon. To be followed by Rosetta Maru on the 13th March.

Magnificent Accommodation. Comfortable Cabins. Excellent Table. Unrivalled Speed. Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardesses carried.

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K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, March 4, 1903.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1903.

STEAMSHIP	DATE
SHIMOSA	About 5th March.
THEODIS	15th April.
RICHMOND CASTLE	30th April.
SAGAMI	15th May.

For Freight and further information, Apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, February 26, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship SUISAN, Captain JAMES YOUNG, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 10th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 1903.

FOR SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO, DALNY AND PORT ARTHUR.

THE Steamship SULLBERG, Captain MEYER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 15th March, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, February 28, 1903.

Shipping.

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND
VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship SAVOIA, Captain BERRELMUND, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at Daylight.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.

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Hongkong, February 17, 1903.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
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FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship HAILONG, Captain GIBSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARTRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 2, 1903.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship GREGORY APCAR, Captain J. G. OLIPHANT, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, February 28, 1903.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAILONG, Captain HANSON, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 6th March, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARTRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, via AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG, Captain P. H. ROBERTS, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 9th Inst., at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

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Hongkong, March 3, 1903.

NOTICE.

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SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA,
DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES,
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA
PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE,
BORDEAUX;
Also
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER
PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 10th March, at 11 a.m., the Company's Steamship ANNAM, Captain GIBSON, with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES.

Shipping Orders will be granted for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on Monday, the 9th March, 1903, and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day.

No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

